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In re the Application of: **Takenori OHSHITA et al.**

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**SUBMISSION OF REPLACEMENT DRAWINGS**

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Sir:

Applicants resubmit herewith 3 sheets of the attached replacement sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 1, 6, 8 and 9 which were filed on March 22, 2007. The amended Figs. 1 and 6 have been labeled 1A and 1B, and 6A and 6B, respectively. Further, Fig. 6B has been amended to include reference Nos. 72 & 73. Figs. 8 and 9 have been amended to include the legend "Prior Art."

Applicants respectfully note that the replacement drawings are the same drawings filed March 22, 2007 and accepted by the Examiner pursuant to page 2, section 2 of the Notice of Allowance of May 25, 2007.

If any fees are required in connection with this submission, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosures: Replacement sheets Fig. 1A, 1B, 6A, 6B, 8 and 9